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25X1 1. [redacted]  
25X1 telephoned indicating that one [redacted]  
[redacted] plans to write to Senator Frank Murray (?) asking for  
25X1 assistance. I agreed [redacted] that the Agency should not  
take any action at this time and await developments.

25X1 2. [redacted] Talked with Lee White and Fred  
Dutton in the White House inquiring about the HERALD TRIBUNE  
article which indicated Mr. Dulles' name had been forwarded to the  
Senate as a Kennedy appointment for confirmation. Mr. Dutton  
indicated there was no intent to send it forward and in fact a tentative  
list which had Mr. Dulles' name on it had been retyped deleting it.  
Apparently no final decision had been made on this question of issuing  
a commission to the DCI. Lee White advised that the Department of  
Justice has a small doubt in their mind that if the President signed a  
commission this act rather than simply being representative of the  
appointment would in fact be the appointment. Consequently, it  
would require forwarding it to the Senate. In forwarding it to the  
Senate apparently leaves some doubt in the mind of the Department  
of Justice officials who were consulted.

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